

No. 32.—1875.

10th December.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Petroleum Ordinances
1872 and 1874.

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14th December, 1875.

WHEREAS by the Petroleum Ordinances 1872 and 1874, certain limitations are imposed upon the quantity of petroleum which may be kept upon any premises: And whereas a certain machine for the manufacture of gas from petroleum has lately been invented, but such machine cannot be made of general use unless power is given to persons manufacturing gas by means thereof to have upon their premises a larger quantity of petroleum than is permitted by the Petroleum Ordinances 1872 and 1874: And whereas the said invention is likely to be a public benefit, and under proper management the petroleum used for the purpose of the manufacture of gas thereby is not likely to be the source of any danger, and it is expedient that facilities should be given for the use of such invention: Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, as follows:—

Construction
and short
titles.

1. This Ordinance shall be construed as one with the Petroleum Ordinances 1872 and 1874.

This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as "The Petroleum Ordinance 1875."

The Petroleum Ordinances 1872 and 1874 and this Ordinance may be cited together for all purposes as "The Petroleum Ordinances 1872, 1874, and 1875."

Licence for
gas manufac-
turing
machine.

2. Where it appears to the Governor that any machine for the manufacture of gas from petroleum is so constructed that the use of petroleum for such manufacture is unattended with material risk or danger, and that a licence under this Ordinance in respect of such machine may be granted consistently with public safety it shall be lawful for the Governor if he sees fit to grant

a licence under his hand authorising the licensee to have and use upon premises to be specified in the licence for the purpose of manufacturing gas by such machine as aforesaid any quantity of petroleum not exceeding a limit to be specified in such licence.

3. In any proceedings under "The Petroleum Ordinance 1872" or "The Petroleum Ordinance 1874" against any person having a licence under this Ordinance, in computing the quantity of petroleum upon the premises specified in such licence, the quantity contained in the machine in respect of which the licence is granted shall be excluded from the computation: Provided that if the quantity of petroleum contained in any such machine exceeds the limit specified in the licence, such licence shall be of no effect at all.

Effect of
licence.

4. The Inspector Commandant or any person authorised in writing by him, whether generally or in any particular case, may at any time between eight of the clock in the forenoon and six of the clock in the afternoon enter any premises in respect of which a licence under this Ordinance has been granted for the purpose of ascertaining the dimensions of any machine in respect of which a licence under this Ordinance has been granted and the quantity of petroleum contained or capable of being contained therein.

Power to
examine
machine.

The licensee shall give to the Inspector Commandant or other person authorised by him as aforesaid every assistance and facility. If any person obstructs the Inspector Commandant or other person authorised as aforesaid while acting under this section a Stipendiary Justice of the Peace may fine such person any sum not exceeding twenty pounds, or may commit him to the Royal Gaol with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding three months.

Passed in Council this tenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

A. C. ROSS,
Clerk of the Council.